Coyotes

Coyotes are found throughout California in a variety of habitats, including urban areas. They resemble a small German Shepherd dog with the exception of the long snout and bushy, black-tipped tail. Feeding coyotes, whether deliberately or not, puts you, your pets and your neighbors at risk. Feed pets indoors or promptly remove outdoor dishes when your pet is finished. Store kibbled pet food in trash cans with tight lids that prevent spilling if the can is tipped over. Clear brush and dense weeds from around your home to make the area less attractive to rodents (a favored prey item for coyotes). Never leave small children unattended in areas known to be frequented by coyotes. Protect your pets by keeping small animals indoors. Coyotes may seek cats in residential areas. Cats should never be allowed to wander outside in coyote country. Bring dogs indoors at night and never allow them to run loose.

